

**MINUTES**  
**MAINE WATER WELL COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, July 13, 2022**

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**Meeting – IN-PERSON**  
**18 Elkins Lane, Rm 109, Harlow Bldg., Augusta, ME**

**ATTENDEES:**

Commission Members:

Dwight Doughty, (Chair)  
Hydrogeologist, DOT  
Alex Pugh  
Hydrogeologist, DWP

Ryan Gordon  
Hydrogeologist, MGS  
Mike Otley  
Public Member

Glenn Dyer  
Master Well Driller  
Frank Hegarty  
Master Well Driller

Guests:

Margaret Machaick  
State of Maine, AAG

Minutes Prepared By:

Tina Lemieux, Commission Clerk, DWP

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**PROCEEDINGS: 9:02 am**

**Review of Meeting Minutes:**

Motion to accept the minutes from **Wednesday, June 8, 2022** (monthly meeting)

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Glenn Dyer      **VOTE:** Unanimous

Motion to accept the minutes from **Wednesday, June 29, 2022** (Special Meeting)

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Mike Otley      **VOTE:** Unanimous

Motion to accept the minutes from **Thursday, July 7, 2022** (Emergency - Special Meeting)

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:**      **VOTE:** Unanimous

**Exam Applications:**

1. **THOMAS HYDRO\_WD02366 – WD-M, PI-M**      APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Frank Hegarty      **VOTE:** Unanimous

2. **DAVID MAHER\_WD02197 – PI-M**      APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Mike Otley      **VOTE:** Unanimous

3. **WILLIAM WEEKS\_WD02182 – PI-M**      APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Alex Pugh      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Glenn Dyer      **VOTE:** Unanimous

4. **ADAM SMALL\_WD02244 – PI-J**      APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Alex Pugh      **VOTE:** Unanimous

5. **THEODORE WEEKS\_WD02142 – PI-J**

APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Glenn Dyer      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Frank Hegarty      **VOTE:** Unanimous

6. **BRANDON MEE\_WD2139 – PI-J**

APPROVED

Motion to approve application.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Alex Pugh      **VOTE:** 5 yea / 1 recused  
    o Glenn Dyer - Recused

**Specialty Well Applications – Commission Review:**

- 1. BONARRIGO-SCOTT TEMPLE\_SWA

Motion to approve application with modifications: 20’ casing and salt resistant grout.

❖ **MOTION:** Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Alex Pugh      **VOTE:** Unanimous

**Specialty Well Applications – In-House Approval:**

- 1. OKEEFE-WESTERN\_SWA
- 2. ROBICHAUD-SCOTT TEMPLE\_SWA
- 3. TORRES-LORD\_SWA

**Other Business:**

- 1. FORMS, CHANGES, UPDATES: ~ Alex Pugh
  - a. discussion: forms, Deed Covenants and Specialty Well Applications
  - b. discussion: “horizontal drilling in Geothermal applications”
- 2. EXAMS: **Thursday, August 11, 2022 @ 10am** at Key Bank Building, downtown Augusta
  - a. Eligible candidates will be notified by email
- 3. DRAFT: Rules and Regulations changes \*(by Special Meetings, TBA)
  - **SOM WD&PI RULE 10-144 CODE OF ME RULES, CHAP 232**, (2019 Braley Draft)
    - Next Special Meeting: **Thursday, August 4, 2022**: rules and regulations

**COMPLAINTS:**

**HINTON-AFFORDABLE & A-Z WATER – complaint, rcvd 11-03-21 – OPEN**

- a. 4-13-22, Violations assessed for A-Z Water Systems and Affordable Well Drilling
- b. 5-5-22, Violation Letters sent to A-Z and Affordable
- c. 5-11-22, A-Z Appeal Response letter
- d. 5-23-22, Affordable Appeal Response letter
- e. 6-8-22, Pending Fair Hearing scheduling (date and time), (MOU, FHRF)
  - MOU, Memorandum of Understanding
  - FHRF, Fair Hearing Report Form

**Complaints (cont.)**

**JONES-A-Z WATER – complaint, rcvd 10-19-21 – OPEN**

- a. 6-8-22, Violations assessed for A-Z Water Systems
- b. 7-1-22, Violation letter sent to A-Z
- c. 7-12-22, A-Z Appeal Response, received
- d. 7-13-22, Fair Hearing to be scheduled after paperwork submitted, (MOU, FHRF)
  - MOU, Memorandum of Understanding
  - FHRF, Fair Hearing Report Form

**\*\*HANSCOM WD-CARMEL WD – complaint, rcvd 11-01-21 – OPEN\*\***

- a. 5-11-22,
  - Motion to table issues until all 4 – quarterly samples are taken. \*(2022-2023, Spring/Fall) *Hegarty/Locke – Unanimous*
  - Motion to turn over alleged SWA forgery issue to Margaret Machaiek, AAG office *Dyer/Goodwin – Unanimous*
  - Motion to table complaint until next meeting (6-8-22). *Otley/Dyer - Unanimous*
- b. 6-8-22,
  - Water well was difficult to assess, decided to have Carmel WD take periodic samples, over the course of 1-2 years
  - Waiting upon sampling compliance, Spring/Fall 2022, (June 20, 2022)
  - **Karl Rudnicki is appealing the MWWC decision; issue is tabled until compliance is met**

**\*\*NEXT MEETINGS\*\***

**Thursday, August 4, 2022, 9am-12pm – In-Person / Elkins**

Special Meeting – Rules and Regulations – Drafting

**Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 9:00 am – In-Person / Elkins**

Regular Monthly Meeting

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Motion to Adjourn.

❖ **MOTION**: Mike Otley      **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Glenn Dyer      **VOTE**: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT:

TIME: **10:20 am**